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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: HUMPHERY, L :
Group Art Unit: 1648 :
In Re Application of: :
HASUMI et al. : Our Docket No. 358690-00006/00005-1
Serial No. 10/783,259 :
Filed: February 20, 2004 :

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2005 wherein a Restriction Requirement was entered, Applicant hereby elects to pursue dependent claim 6, wherein the antigen is prostate-specific antigen. The claims which read on the elected embodiment are claims 1, 2, 6, 9-11 and new claims 12-15.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.